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AIR DISTRICT OFFERING ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE GRANTS

Lancaster – In an effort to help reduce emissions from mobile sources and encourage local residents to invest in cleaner, alternative fuel vehicles, the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District is offering up to \$4,500 towards the purchase of electric or electric-hybrid vehicles and up to \$3,000 towards the purchase of compressed natural gas-fueled vehicles. Additionally, incentive grants of up to \$850 are available towards the purchase of at-home charging units, and up to \$2,000 for at-home CNG fueling equipment.

Grant funds from the local air district's Alternative Fuel Vehicle Program are available to residents living within the cities of Lancaster, Palmdale and unincorporated areas of northern Los Angeles County. Incentives for eligible vehicles will be awarded on a first-come, first served basis until available funds are exhausted. Examples of eligible vehicles include Compressed Natural Gas, Propane, Electric or Electric-Hybrid purchases or leases (36 months or more) on models such as the Honda Civic GX, Chevy Volt, Nissan Leaf, (plug-in) Toyota Prius or Ford Focus.

To claim the incentives, residents must purchase the vehicle, submit an application, and provide copies of the window sticker and sales receipt. Applications are available at the AVAQMD's website at www.avaqmd.ca.gov.